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The smuggling of morphine which takes place in China has assumed alarming proportions. Morphine is used among the Chinese not only for hypodermic injection, but also in the form of tabloids for the cure of opium smoking. The remedy however, is constantly being proved to be worse than the disease. Even in remote country villages morphine tabloids and hypodermic syringes are frequently seen, and Dr. ASPLAND of Peking, who has written to one of the Tientsin papers a warning against the use of the so-called "anti-opium pills," remarks that he would not like to guess how many tons of morphine tabloids are being imported into China now, but he is prepared to believe that the import is appalling. If however, we consult the Customs returns for information on the subject, we find the total amount of morphine which passed through the Customs was not more than 96 ounces. Probably no man can make even an approximate guess at the import. Dr. ASPLAND mentions "tons," and there can not be the slightest doubt about the fact that the import is really, as he describes it, "appalling."

The first record of the importation of the drug into China was, in 1892 when the import was returned as 15,761 ounces. By 1899 it had risen to 164,705 ounces, and, if we set out the figures for the subsequent seven years, the suggestion that the drug is being smuggled into China on a very extensive scale will at once be apparent. Here are the Customs returns:

When the latest mail left Shanghai Mr. John A. Ross, the accountant of the Chartered Bank, was very seriously ill at the Nursing Home. He had undergone two operations and his condition was causing much anxiety to his many friends.

Theft from little children in the street has become rather frequent again. On Wednesday a little girl was enticed into a quiet place by a man who wrenched the gold bangle from off her arm. This is the second case reported this week.

Smuggling can be the only explanation of the practical disappearance of the drug from the Customs returns after 1903. Up to April 1903 the duty levied on the import was at the rate of 5 per cent. ad valorem, representing a tax of about Tls. 0.08 per ounce. The Chinese Government, having had its attention drawn to the growing use of morphine among the people and the necessity of checking the evil, placed a prohibitory tax on the drug, which worked out at something like Tls. 3 per ounce. Since that tax was announced the import, so far as it comes under the cognisance of the Customs, has practically ceased, as the table above clearly shows. Yet there never was a time when the use of the drug among the Chinese was so extensive as it is to-day. There undoubtedly prevails among the Chinese, here in Hongkong as apparently in all parts of the Empire of China, a sublime faith in the efficiency of the "anti-opium pill" as a cure for the opium-smoking habit but Dr. ASPLAND, in the letter we have referred to, emphatically declares that he has not found one of these tabloids that contained "any antitodal drug, any stimulant or tonic ingredients, but simply morphine made into a tabloid with ordinary household flour." So that, as Dr. ASPLAND expressively puts it, "the sale is not accompanied with any honest intention of relieving the suffering, but, finding that there is a big market for morphine under the name of anti-opium tabloids and powders, foreign trading companies, who do no trade in arms and ammunition, follow this lucrative one under the heading of benefactors." Most nations, we believe, have prohibited the export of morphine to China, and if the fact were not so patent that the consumption of morphine in China in the guise of "anti-opium" tabloids and powders is increasing at a prodigious rate, the fact that the drug has practically disappeared from the Customs import returns would double be counted unto the exporting nation for righteousness. Japan, it seems, is not a among the nations which have interdicted the export of morphine to China, and it has been urged—unofficially at least, and so far without result—that it is desirable that Japan should come into line with the other nations in this respect. Two suggestions are implied in this demand, one being that Japan is a large exporter of morphine to China, and the other must be that practically all she sends to China is smuggled. For in 1906 when the total net import into China, according to the Customs' returns, was 419 ounces not a single ounce is shown in those returns as having been imported from Japan. With the exception of six-ounces from the United States and two from Germany the whole came from Hongkong and Great Britain. Last year, however, out of the total of 96 ounces, Japan is represented by 58 ounces, Hongkong by 9, Great Britain by 28 and the United States by one. So far as the import of this drug is concerned, it is clear that the only value the Customs returns possess lies in the indirect evidence they give of the enormous extent to which the smuggling of morphine is being carried on. If "anti-opium pills" were really beneficial the only thing the Chinese Government would have occasion to regret would be the loss of revenue by the evasion of the import duty, but as these tabloids are declared to be doing more harm than opium has ever approached the doing, it is surprising that the Chinese Government have not taken effective measures to prevent the smuggling as well as to restrict the sale of this dangerous remedy.

The Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., who is President of the Y.M.C.A. will occupy the Chair at a social gathering of members and their friends to-morrow evening.

The telegram received by the American Consul yesterday, sent from the Manila Observatory at noon, reported a typhoon to be East of Luzon, less than 300 miles distant, moving W.N.W.

At the annual meeting of the Y.M.C.A. Chess Club the following officers were elected: President, Ven. Archdeacon Banister; Secretary, Treasurer, Mr. T. G. Turnbull; Committee, Mr. H. Sykes.

The cholera returns at Manila, according to the Manila newspapers, show a material decline. The latest paper, dated the 6th instant, gives only 9 cases as having occurred on the previous day, including three American victims.

It is reported that the United States battleship "Louisiana" will visit Hongkong on November 5th, and that Admiral Emery will then lower his flag on the occasion of his retirement from the service.

TELEGRAMS.

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SERIOUS SITUATION IN THE NEAR EAST.

AUSTRIA MOBILISING.

LONDON, October 8th.

Sir Edward Grey and Mr. Asquith

have declared that the British Government will refuse to recognise breaches in the Berlin Treaty without the consent of the signatories.

Great Britain has addressed a remonstrance to Austria.

It is reported that Austria has refused to participate in a Conference of the Powers until her annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina be acknowledged.

The Cretans have proclaimed a union with Greece.

An appeal is being addressed to the Powers.

Turkey remains calm.

Austria is mobilising her troops.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

BULGARIA AND TURKEY.

LONDON, October 6th.

Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, in a telegram to the Sultan of Turkey, says that he has been compelled to respect the wishes of the nation, and expresses the hope that the friendly relations hitherto existing between the two countries will be maintained.

A Council of ministers is considering a reply, which will probably take the form of a protest at the Prince's action, and a refusal to recognize Bulgaria's independence.

A Manifesto issued at Sofia yesterday evening says that the proclamation of independence is in conformity with the will of the people who hope that the powers will approve.

Prince Ferdinand and his ministers have started for Philippopolis.

The mobilization of an army of 100,000 men has been ordered.

LATER.

At Paris, M. Pichon discussed with M. Iswolsky, Russian Foreign Minister, and Sir Francis Bertie, British Ambassador, the question of a European Congress which is growing in probability, despite the danger of dealing with the inflammable matters involved.

The Sultan in his reply to Prince Ferdinand, which has now been despatched, says that Turkey has invited the Powers to confer on the situation.

An Anti-Austrian mass meeting has been held at Belgrade at which there were shouts of "Down with Austria" and much bellicose talk.

The Servian reserves numbering 120,000 men were called out yesterday.

THE CHENTU HOSPITAL STUDENTS.

LONDON, October 6th.

A meeting has been held at Lord Salisbury's house at which it was resolved to form an Etonian Association for China in support of Bishop Cassel's scheme for students in the hospital at Chentu.

A committee was appointed with Lord William Cecil as chairman.

ACCIDENT AT THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

An incident which might had more serious results took place yesterday during the sitting of the Legislative Council. The Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart had just opened his speech when a huge piece of plaster fell from the roof on the desk immediately in front of the Hon. Mr. Badley, narrowly missing his head and hands. For a moment consternation prevailed. Both Mr. Badley and Mr. Gresson hastily moved their chairs back from the danger zone and hon. members glanced easily up towards the roof. Mr. Stewart stood silent, the while a clerk stopped the punkah, lest it should dislodge any more stucco, but calmness was restored when the hon. gentleman resumed his address. When His Excellency subsequently addressed the Council he said that the narrow escape of one of the hon. members which they had witnessed was a matter on which they might congratulate themselves.

BIG FIRE AT MANILA.

Last Monday night a fire laid waste the factory of the Philippines Products Company and storehouse, involving losses estimated at 250,000 pesos.

154 YEARS OF AGE.

A Filipino woman who has died at Dagupan is stated to have been 154 years of age. Her moccasions, according to a niece (64 years of age), went back to events which occurred during the English occupation of Manila in 1762, at which time the deceased was about eight years of age.

The Indian opium revenue shows no signs of falling off, remarks a Bombay contemporary. Bengal opium for September realised Rs. 51,33,775, being Rs. 1,13,775 better than the estimate. Bombay for August came to Rs. 21,40,300 or Rs. 8,40,200 above the estimates. Up to date the year's revenue from both Bengal and Bombay is Rs. 52,55,740 above the estimate.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held yesterday in the Council Chamber.

PRESENT.—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, Sir FRANCIS JOHN DEALTRY LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

COLONIAL DABLING, R. E. (General Officer Commanding).

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HON. MR. W. CHATHAM, C.M.G. (Director of Public Works).

HON. MR. E. A. IRVING (Registrar-General).

HON. E. J. BADLEY, (Captain Superintendent of Police).

HON. DR. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

HON. MR. WEN YUK, C.M.G.

HON. MR. H. A. W. SLADE.

HON. MR. W. J. GRESSEON.

M. CLEMENTI (Clerk of Councils).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY—by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table Financial Minutes, Nos. 57 to 59, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

FINANCIAL.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY—by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, No. 16, and moved its adoption.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

THE ESTIMATES.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY—Sir, I beg to move the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Five million five hundred and seventy thousand four hundred and twenty seven dollars to the Public Service of the year 1909.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY—The motion was agreed to.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY—

The COLONIAL SECRETARY—The duty has devolved upon me of stating in outline the views of the unofficial members on the provisions of this Bill, and of making a few brief comments upon the lucid and interesting statement with which it was introduced. This last year the representative of the Chamber of Commerce opened his speech on the Estimates by congratulating Your Excellency on the satisfactory financial condition of the Colony. Exchange was then high and believed in. The long period of commercial depression was already thought to be passing away. Land sales were estimated

satisfaction in Your Excellency's appreciative reference to the work, the value of which I may say, has never been hidden from the present unofficial members, nor I fancy from that section of the public which takes an interest in local affairs. As regards the roads on the Island I have a word to say on my own account. When I returned to this Colony at the end of last year, after an absence of nine months, the strongest impression of change which I received was the change for the worse which had overtaken the surface of the roads. In particular I refer to such roads as that leading up from Happy Valley to Wong-nai-sheung Gap, and that down from there to Aberdeen; also to Black's Link and even the Bowen Road; and last, but not least, the Jubilee Road, but I do not by any means confine my criticism to these. I imagined that the fallen state they were in must be due to less money having been appropriated towards their upkeep than in former years, owing to our extreme impoenitly. I was surprised therefore to notice that he vote for this year is the same as last, and I am unable to account for it except upon the theory that the money so voted was not properly spent. Quite recently the first road referred to has been repaired, and also Black's Link, but on the Jubilee Road the grass still grows, in many places a foot high, and in others the surface has become a series of small ravines created by the rains. The roads of this Colony used to be one of our chief sources of pride, and they ought to be so at this day, if thorough supervision were exercised over the spending of the money devoted to their upkeep. Another matter of widespread public comment is the extent to which the ordinance relating to receipt stamps is neglected in small business transactions. A strict enforcement of the existing law would in the opinion of many of our leading Chinese residents bring in a really large revenue; indeed I have heard the comforting opinion expressed by more than one such, that between retrenchment and receipt stamps there ought to be enough to baulk the prospect of having to meet a deficit next year, when there will be no 'Widows' and Orphans' Fund to fall back upon. However that may be, there is no doubt that a good deal can be done, and the unofficial members have noted with satisfaction that Your Excellency was aware of the position, and had already taken steps towards availing of its advantages.

On the subject of the Judiciary the opinion of the unofficial members is divided as regards the necessity for a third judge, but there is no division of opinion as regards the view that the state of the Colony's finances does not allow of the creation of such an appointment at the present time. Under these circumstances we agree in viewing with favour the new arrangement announced by Your Excellency. I have to add on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce that the arrangement highly recommends itself to the Committee. These are all the points upon which I have to comment at this stage of the Bill. It only remains to refer to Your Excellency's interpretation of the signs of the times. The reiterated belief that these all point towards a period of prosperity can through your speech like a charm. It is quite possible to share this belief as regards the general trend of events in the wider world, and even as regards the China trade, and yet at the same time to doubt whether this Colony is destined to benefit thereby to the extent that Your Excellency anticipates. Your Excellency referred with evident satisfaction to certain official reports and statistics which seemed to show that Canton had been prospering during the period in which we in Hongkong heard nothing but talk of languishing markets. Some of us had already noted the fact as ominous. If Manchester or Hamburg were to flourish, while Liverpool or Bremen respectively dwindled, would the inhabitants of the latter ports have reason to reflect with satisfaction on the circumstances? Without laying themselves open to the charge of undue pessimism they might judge that trade was going past them, that business was being done direct. Our circumstances are not exactly parallel, but there is enough similarity to make one ponder. Some observers think that Hongkong is in danger of losing its important position as a port. This is an ugly foreboding. But its ugliness does not justify any one in simply turning away. The blindness of hope is proverbial, but optimism, in finance at least, should keep open eyes. Optimism may sometimes forget the fact of prosperity. But, at least, through excess, it is often bogged adversely. Here in Hongkong, if anywhere, the truth of that has been demonstrated time and time again. Some of us, who realise how much this Colony has suffered from the results of optimism carried to excess, view this budget with concern, having regard to the extent to which the future is relied upon to ameliorate present conditions. We should have liked to see more evidence than it displays of a growing disposition to set the Colony's financial house in order, lest the long protracted period of renewed prosperity should still lag. In saying these things, I am not actuated by any desire wantonly to tear in pieces the good hope upon which was mainly based Your Excellency's defence of this makeshift budget, but because I have felt bound to point out that there is another side to the picture. And now having said so much in discharge of the unpleasant duty of critic, I have to add an expression of my most earnest desire that these and all such forebodings may be utterly falsified, and that, instead, Your Excellency's brighter forecast may be justified and even triumphantly vindicated by the only logic that can ultimately be relied upon to make the position clear—the infallible, illuminating logic of events.

Hon. Mr. Gresson said:—The honourable Member who has just resumed his seat has voiced the views of unofficial members of this Council on the Estimates for 1909. There are however one or two points on which I would like to say a few words. It seems to me, that when an increase of revenue is required the Government regard Shipping and the Harbour as the best source from which this can be derived. It has been pointed out time and again that Hongkong without its shipping would be a port of very minor importance, therefore it should be our policy to foster, and not to bale shipping. In the estimates that we are considering there are two items that have been increased about \$6 per cent. I refer to the revenue to be derived from Boat Licences and Medical Examination of Emigrants. On principle I strongly deplore this large increase, and I desire to criticise the method of its imposition. I believe I am correct in stating that those most deeply interested received no intimation of the increases of fees beyond a notification in the columns of the "Government Gazette". Although your Excellency may not be aware of it, no better way could be devised of imparting information that it was desired should be communicated upon as little as possible. That estimates are unreliable is a well established fact, and that this Government does not believe the reputation will be fully confirmed by a reference to the cost of the Kowloon Water Works. It appears the original estimate was \$353,000, and that the revised estimate is \$1,194,500 of which \$1,121,700 has been spent, and we are asked to approve the expenditure of a further sum of \$44,000

in 1909. The expenditure of a very large sum on a Typhoon Refuge is now contemplated, part cost of which is to be borne by Shipping, and I think Sir, it is not unreasonable to ask that the Government give an assurance that \$750,000 will be the maximum amount to be contributed by a special assessment on Light Dues. Your Excellency referred to the now Magazine on Green Island, and I observe that it is estimated that it will increase the revenue derived from storage on Green power by \$5,000. In order to secure this increase it is proposed to terminate the lease of One Tree Island, and make the lessee who have been tenants of the Government for 25 years, no less, transfer their stocks to Green Island. This arbitrary action of the Government it appears to me, is a direct interference with private enterprise, and I would ask if your Excellency cannot reconsider the decision. It is noticeable that your Excellency made no reference to any possible means of retrenchment. In the estimates before us the fall in exchange has under the heading "Personal Encumbrances" necessitated the provision of no less than \$156,000. The rate of £1. 9d. on which this location is based, will I trust prove to be on the safe side, but we have seen lower exchange in the past, and it is by no means improbable that we may do so again. As our revenue is a silver one, it is desirable that as far as possible our expenditure should be in the same currency, and it appears to me somewhat anomalous that in say one year we should have to provide such a large sum as \$156,000 for depreciation of the dollar. I am not conversant with the method adopted in calculating personal encumbrances, but I trust it will be admitted that there must be some limit to the allowance to be made owing to a fall in exchange. This Sir may prove a very important factor in the future of the Colony, and is a matter worthy of your early and close attention.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY.—Sir, I shall not deal with any questions which are really in the nature of criticisms of your Excellency's speech when moving the estimates, but as I am responsible for certain matters that the last speaker has referred to, I beg leave to make one or two remarks. I am many things in this Colony, Sir, and among others, the editor of a newspaper—the most important newspaper in the Colony—the "Government Gazette". I am sorry to learn, Sir, that this excellent publication is so little appreciated that evidently the hon. member regards it as a sort of place wherein to hide things away, not to make them public. He complained that no notice was given of the increase of fees for boat licences. Well, Sir, that increase was effected by an amendment of a schedule of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, and the whole of those schedules were published in the "Gazette", and if my memory serves me, in March last the hon. member referred to the great part that shipping plays in this Colony. He himself is the head of a firm which has a great deal to do with shipping, and I, as editor of that little newspaper, would have imagined that the shipping community would have read with avidity anything in the nature of schedules to such an important enactment as the Merchant Shipping Ordinance. Then again, Sir, the other item complained of was that no notice had been given of the increase in fees for medical inspection of immigrants. That increase was effected by an amendment of the Immigration Ordinance. It was made in Committee, and after the amendment had been made my hon. friend on the left distinctly warned the Council that the Government would not ask for the third reading of the bill on that day because this particular amendment effected an increase in taxation. I myself, in committee, explained that that increase in fees for medical examination was made in order to recoup the cost of the additional staff, amounting to between \$5,000 and \$9,000 per annum, rendered necessary by the bill for the supervision of assisted immigrants. I don't know a more public way of doing a thing, Sir, than of doing it in this Council where the whole of the proceedings are published in the Press, and I fail to see how the Government could possibly bring to the notice of interested parties increases of taxation of this nature otherwise than through the official organ, or through the Legislature.

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS.—With

your permission, Sir, I will just refer briefly to the points of criticism with regard to matters concerning public works. The first point mentioned, Sir, was the question of the width of roads for the New Territory, which the hon. member opposite feared were going to be made too narrow for wheel traffic. It is designed, Sir, to make the road from Castle Peak to Ping Shan of a width of six feet. That will admit of any ordinary vehicle traversing the road, and it will be a simple matter to provide for the passing of vehicles by widening the road in places. In many parts of England, as I have sometimes experienced, roads are of such a width that it is quite impossible for two vehicles to pass each other, and in some cases I have known of vehicles having to go back for a considerable distance if they had the misfortune to meet at certain lengths of the road. With regard to the maintenance of roads on the island, the roads to which the hon. member refers are not surfaced in any way except with ordinary materials from the hillside. Therefore they are peculiarly liable to suffer from the effects of this very trying climate. Whether it is that the conditions in the matter of rainfall have been more favourable for the propagation of defects to which the hon. member referred, I am unable to say, but certainly from a waterworks point of view the rainfall has been exceptionally favourable during the past two seasons. During the wet season it is almost impossible to keep these roads free from the growth of weeds and grass, but so long as they are reasonably maintained, I think that is all that is necessary. Possibly the hon. member has wandered farther afield, or been more frequent in his wanderings, since he returned to the Colony, and these defects have been more prominent to him. The only other point raised was by the hon. member at the end of the table as regards the Kowloon waterworks. These works have undergone very considerable enlargements since they were initiated, and the capacity of the reservoir has been increased to an extent of some 100 million gallons, as it was found that a very much larger catchment area could be made available by the construction of a catchwater. It was considered much more economical to raise the dam to the maximum height that it could be raised in the first instance, rather than to defer it to some future period. That, Sir, is the explanation of the great increase in this item.

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the purchase of a dredger, and a vote for the relief of people in South China. The other items may be considered to be ordinary expenses of the Colony. Passing from his general review on the finances of the Colony, the general tone of which I have nothing whatever to complain of, I would just allude to the remarks which he made on the question of the military contribution. From a phrase which fell from the hon. member that I had not confided the difficulties to which I alluded in respect of the scheme which I had been engaging my attention, it would seem as though there had been in my mind some ideas that I did not wish to take the Council into my confidence in the matter. At the time I wished to make it clear that I did not go into details of the somewhat complicated calculations because I had on that occasion much to say on other subjects connected with the estimates, and time would not admit of my going into any very intimate details on any one particular subject; and moreover, my study of the subject is as yet incomplete, as I am obtaining further figures in order to see whether my suggestion is feasible or not. The hon. member too, spoke somewhat emphatically on one point. He said that unofficial members were unanimous in their feeling that if the action of the Imperial Government in the matter of opium should result in wrecking the estimates before us, that they would feel that a very strong position had been created for an appeal to the Imperial Government for some remission of the military contribution. I don't think the military contribution is precisely *caveat emptor* with the opinion question. Whether or not we may hope for any financial consideration from the Imperial Government if the finances of this Colony should prove to be overtaxed by the Imperial policy is another question. I saw a day or two ago in a local paper a telegram saying, I know not with what truth, that Japan had consented to join the other Powers in prohibiting the import of morphine into China provided China would agree to the Trade Marks Convention. The reply of China was that trademarks had nothing to do with morphine, and that position, I feel, is somewhat analogous to the question of the military contribution and opium revenue. But undoubtedly the most serious point which has been brought forward this afternoon by both unofficial members who have spoken is the question of possible retrenchment. I can assure the Council that during the past year it has been most vividly before both myself and those who, with longer experience, have advised me in these matters, that the financial position was one of very great difficulty and that every smallest application for an increase, either in the matter of payments or in the matter of other charges, should be most carefully scrutinised, and unless it was proved to be absolutely essential, it should not be allowed. Whether or not it may be possible to cut down minor charges in the various departments will continue to receive my most earnest consideration during the coming year. The question of the Sanitary Department was brought forward as a case in point. The savings on the Sanitary Department amount to a sum of \$36,000 or \$37,000 in the estimate before you. That is in spite of an increase due to fall in exchange of \$12,000. 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ITALIAN CONVENT,

Hongkong, 9th October 1908. 143

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE,

1893.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that IF WING CHO, FUNG CHI YEKU, IP KAM KWONG, WONG YAT WAN and FUN LAM SANG, trading together in the name of TUNG FU TAI Firm of No. 60, Connaught Road West Victoria Hongkong have on the 26th day of August, 1908 applied for his registration in Hongkong for the registrant in Hongkong in the following TRADE MARKS:

(1) The representation of two Chinese children in a state of great joy, one has his hands outstretched towards three bats flying above him and the other is holding down with hands outstretched towards three bats lying on the ground, on the left-hand side of the picture.

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Hong."

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Dated the 8th day of October, 1908.

DEACON, LOOKER & DEACON,

Solicitors for the Applicants.

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By Order,

S. A. SETH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1908. 1410

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Hongkong, 5th October, 1908. 1401

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REGINALD F. C. MASTER,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1908. 1418

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that TENDERS will be received at the COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE until NOON of SATURDAY, the 31st October, 1908, for the SUPPLY of Aerated Water; Bedding and Clothing; Beers; Spirituous Wines, &c.; Chemicals; Drugs and Surgical Instruments and Sundries; Furniture, &c.; Milk, &c.; Provisions; Sundries; and Washing (Schedules Nos. 1 to 9) required locally to this Department, for the period of one year from the 1st of January next inclusive.

For Form of Tender apply at the Colonial Secretary's Office.

All other information may be obtained from the Principal Civil Medical Officer at the Civil Hospital.

J. M. ATKINSON,
Principal Civil Medical Officer.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1908. 1409

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Hongkong, 5th September, 1908. 114

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DEPARTURES.

8th October.
 CHIYUEN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
 CHOBUN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
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The British str. *Seo-gang* reports: From
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 The British str. *Glenlochy* reports: Fine
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 weather prevailing until 9 p.m. 6th inst., thence
 fine to arrival.
 The British str. *Shaoshing* reports: 1st
 part moderate to fresh variable winds, overcast
 weather, high South Easterly swell, 2nd part
 moderate E. to S.E. winds and fine, high
 breaking Southerly swell.
 The British str. *Haitan* reports: From
 Foochow to Amoy, moderate following wind
 and sea, fine weather, Amoy to Swatow, mod-
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VESSELS IN DOCK.

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SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

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HAVER & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Hildebrand	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 31st inst.
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SENEGAMBIA	Fr. str.	k. w.	Eckhorn	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 15th November.
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VILLE DE LA CIOTAT	Jap. str.	—	Barillon	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	INABA MARU	Dan. str.	—	Wm. Bainbridge	MELCHERS & CO.	On 14th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TRANQUERAB	Jap. str.	—	F. E. Cope	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	Middle of October.
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MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	LIBERIA	Ans. str.	—	Rauch	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	Beginning of November.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AUSTRIA	Brit. str.	—	Macfarlane	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 24th inst.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SIEMAG	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	INDIANA	Brit. str.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	About 18th inst.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PATHAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	INVERCLYDE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 28th inst., at Noon.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	EMPEROR	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-day.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	GLENFARG	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TRISTAN	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 19th inst.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NEW YORK	Brit. str.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 31st inst.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VIA SUEZ CANAL	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 10th Nov.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NEW YORK & NEW YORK	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VIA SUEZ CANAL	Brit. str.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 28th inst., at Noon.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VIA SUEZ CANAL	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	To-day.
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MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VIA SUEZ CANAL	Brit. str.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VIA SUEZ CANAL	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
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MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VIA SUEZ CANAL	Brit. str.	—	—	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 15th inst.
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MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VIA SUEZ CANAL	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th Nov. at Noon.
MARES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VIA SUEZ CANAL	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th inst., at 5 P.M.
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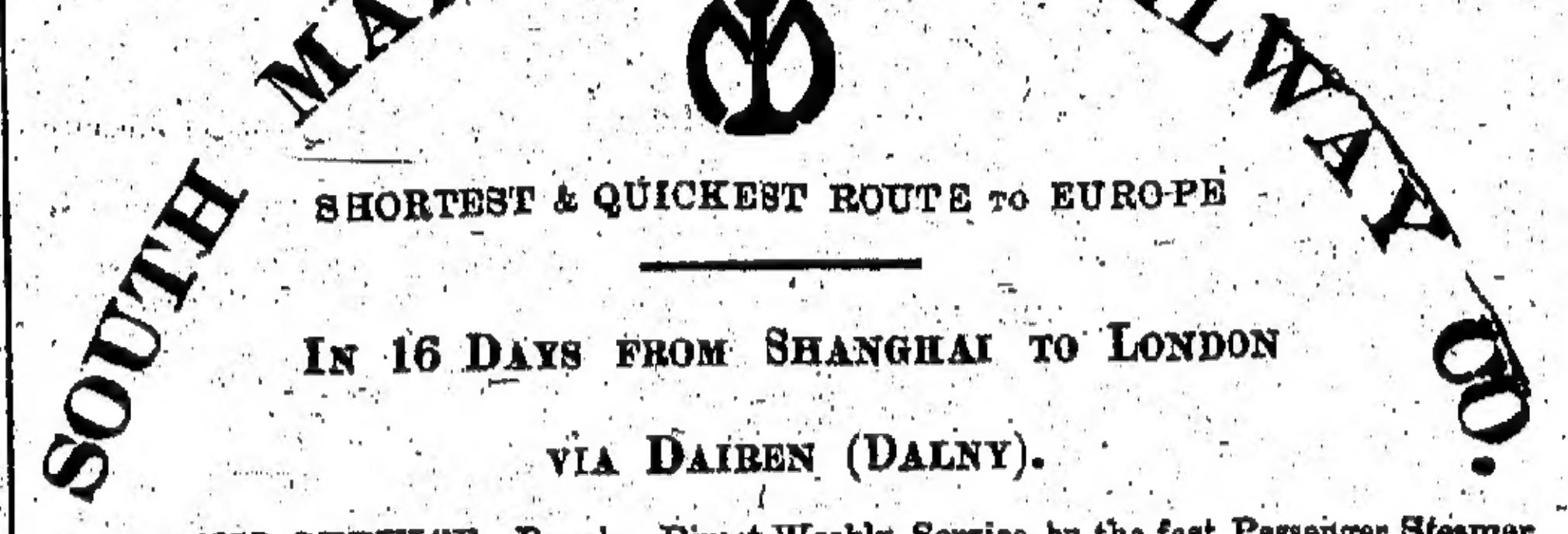
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